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Shelton ends year of outreach



Shelton graduate Alicia Wiggins receives the Leo Sumner Award from the man himself—former Shelton State President Leo Sumner

But it wasn't just outward that Shelton reached. The college reached out to its own students during Honor's Day festivities on May 7.

Accounting Achievement Awards went to Kimberly Mitchell, Tina Gray, Starr Deas, Rhoda Smith, Carin Barnes, Danna Mills, Elliott Ashby, Cheryl Rollins and Courtney Lawson.

Outstanding Management students were Julie Pugh and Ramona Guffin.

Outstanding marketing students were Danna Mills, Christy Williams, and Misty Skelton.

Outstanding Computer Science students were Richard Hennings, Yu-Ling Ko, and Ching-Kuang Wang.

Outstanding Statistics students were Starr Deas and Richard Hennings.

Outstanding Introduction to Business Students were Oleg Mozhey, Jongzit Wiboonmykol, Kim Bright, Jordan Brown, Russell Thomas, Justin Vaughn, Audrey Johnson and Jennifer Dillard and David Channel.

Outstanding Management/Supervision Students were Charity Lawrence, Gloria Gilliland, Christy Williams, and Donald Wilkins.

Outstanding Commercial Art students were Andrew Higdon and Summer Partyka. The Outstanding Graphic and Printing Communications Students was Joe Johnson.

The Outstanding Office Ad-

nity college in the nation, and we can achieve that only as we attain true excellence in each of our many programs. We strive to be the best we can in each of them.”

With its innovative “Millennium Evenings” this year, the college has been successful in bringing in more of the public to hear speakers on topics from business to art. A big public relations coup for Shelton was the Theatre Department's creation of the Alabama Stage and Screen Hall of Fame in April, which brought in luminaries from Hollywood like Fannie Flagg, along with a Who's Who of the business and cultural elite throughout the state.

The new campus in west Alabama has notched another year.

Now settled into a rhythm in its site along Hwy. 69—on a road once traveled by Davy Crockett, Shelton State Community College is increasingly reaching out to the citizens of the city and state that nurture it.

Educating some 6,000 students in the past year in programs ranging from physics to diesel mechanics, Shelton seems to be successfully carving out a niche for itself as the campus of flexibility and creativity. As Shelton President Tom Umphrey recently said, “Our quest is to be the best commu-

“Summer Survival Kit” offered to those who have to work or study

By Allyson Prater
and Clay Williams

Wondering what to do this summer?

We have been researching your options if life has taken one of those wicked turns and is forcing you into a summer of work or study—rather than ski-dooing and strenuous tanning.

In other words, here is an article for most Shelton students.

With a little pocket change and, perhaps, the willingness and wherewithal for a couple of brief road trips, you can get through this summer in fine shape, no

matter how many hours you may have to work or credit hours you have to take.

In Tuscaloosa you can still visit your favorite hangouts. All the local bands, such as the Cheesebrokers, Indiana Jones, Velcro Pygmies, Grand Torino, Wayne Mills Band, Brother to Brother, Todd and Preston, Electric Monkey Wrench, Freak Magnet, Blues Old Stand, and Big Brother Blues will be playing throughout the summer. Call the Clubs—such as the Varsity, 757-

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Around 400 graduate from Shelton State on May 13

Shelton State held its annual graduation services on May 13 in the gymnasium on the college's Martin campus. A reception honoring the grads was held prior to the service.

John H. England Jr., Circuit Judge of the Sixth Judicial Circuit of Tuscaloosa County, was the speaker for the service.

LeAnn Nicole Jones, Northport; James Aubrey

Crawford II, Northport; Rebecca Robinson Colburn, Tuscaloosa;



Judge England addressed the Shelton grads.

Kristie Hope Fraught, Tuscaloosa; Richard Wayne Hennings, Jr. Tuscaloosa; Lisa Moore Morris, Peterson; Ashley Leigh Miller, Coker; Desiree Nichelle Archie, Montgomery; Princess Nicole Norwood, Tuscaloosa; Pamela Denise Huff-Nixon, Tuscaloosa; Herbert E. Trimm, Northport;

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You Missed a Good One! If you weren't at Allen Mallory's performance at the Comedy Club in Birmingham on May 10, you missed a very entertaining and though--provoking routine about child-rearing practices

Introduction to Media Writing offered

To coincide with the requirements in Mass Communication at the University of Alabama, Shelton will begin offering Introduction to Media Writing in the summer term.

Dr. Jim Kenny, mass communication instructor, explains that Introduction to Media Writing will replace News reporting in the regular semester offerings at the college.

"We won't be changing the course all that much," Kenny said. "We will still give the students an opportunity to work on the *Courier* while they learn the basics of media writing."

Introduction to Media Writing is required in all of the majors in the UA College of Communication and Information Sciences. These fields include Advertising and Public relations, Communication Studies, Journalism and Telecommunication and Film.

The class will be held during the summer term on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10:15 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.

Kenny welcomes inquiries about the class at 2278. He also urges any interested parties to come by the *Courier* office on the west wing of the second floor.

Future Issues

The *Courier* looks forward to three more issues this school year: one each month is scheduled for June, July and August. Let us know what you would like to know about Shelton by calling the publisher at 391-2278 or the *Courier* editorial office at 391-2406. You may also visit the *CourierOnline* at http://www.shelton.cc.al.us/courier/courier_main.html

"Keep Looking Up!"

By Dr. Lee Albritton



The Earth's axis points toward the North Star, and we sometimes call it the Pole star or its official name Polaris. As the Earth rotates on its axis, the North Star then stays in the same position in the sky and other stars appear to move around Polaris.

Locating the North Star could be extremely helpful in determining directions at night. Conse-

quently, all Girl and Boy Scouts learn how to locate this star. First, find the most familiar constellation in the sky—the Big Dipper, or, officially, Ursa Major or the Big Bear by the Native Americans. Draw a line through the two end stars in the bowl of the dipper and move away from the open bowl. Your line will point directly to the North Star, and for this reason these two end stars are often

Roberts reviews...*Star Wars, Episode I: The Phantom Menace*

By Brian Roberts

If you haven't seen *Star Wars Episode I: The Phantom Menace*, then at this point you are in the minority. My only hope is that the bad reviews that the film has received in the national media is not the reason you haven't seen it. Because those reviews are unjustified.

The Phantom Menace is a lesson in story telling. In terms of cinematic quality, it's not a great movie. It is, however, very much a *Star Wars* movie. What you might not understand about those bad reviews is that the original trilogy received similar reviews. The film is constantly criticized for being, "too kiddy." I thought that was the point. This film, like each of the other three, begins with the famous, "A long time ago, in a galaxy far, far away...." Which is simply another way of saying, "Once upon a time." The *Star Wars* universe is, and always will be, for children; or at least the child in all of us.

The Phantom Menace begins the backstory for the original trilogy. It chronicles the discovery of young Anakin Skywalker (Jake Lloyd) amidst the turmoil of an intergalactic trade dispute. That plot is pretty simple. Telling you anything further would spoil parts of the movie, and possible spoil parts of the next two movies, due out in 2002 and 2005.

What makes this movie special is the depths to which creator

George Lucas takes us into our own imaginations. Directing for the first time since the first *Star Wars* movie in 1977, Lucas is now able to combine his imagination with brilliant computer effects, to allow us to see what he originally envisioned us to see. It is virtually impossible to describe the emotions that Lucas is able to evoke with such a simple story-line. It's the good of Qui-Gonn Jinn (Neeson) vs. the evil of Darth Maul (Ray Park). So how is it that something so simple can make grown men spend their paychecks on toys?

George Lucas gives us conventional situations in an unconventional world, and in doing so challenges us to use our imagination. He uses the latest in visual effects to trick our eyes, and the brilliant music of John Williams to stir our emotions. And when all is said and done, you find yourself on the edge of your seat. Children love it because it is a movie for them that doesn't insult their intelligence. Adults love it because it makes them feel like a kid again.

The Phantom Menace is by no means a perfect movie. There are things that are a little too silly, and the completely digital characters, such as Jar Jar Binks, are not always believable. The thing that does separate it from the original three films is the acting. While there are a few good performances in the original trilogy, every perfor-

mance in *The Phantom Menace* is right on the money. That ensemble cast includes Nees, Lloyd, Ewan McGregor, Natalie Portman, Ian McDiarmid, and Samuel L. Jackson.

What this film does is tell us everything, while telling us nothing. I liked this film the first time I saw it. It gets better with each additional viewing. You have to go into it with an understanding that it is the first of three parts, and it is only an introduction of things to come. In 1977 we were thrust right into the rebellion against the empire. Now we're finding out why that rebellion began. Right now this movie tells you very little. In six years, after the new trilogy is complete, the true brilliance of its story-telling will be seen.

The Phantom Menace shows daily at Regal's Fox 12 Cinemas at 1 p.m., 1:30 p.m., 4 p.m., 4:30 p.m., 7 p.m., 7:30 p.m., 10 p.m., and 10:30 p.m. All I can tell you is to ignore the hype, both good and bad, and make your own judgements.

Rated PG. 137 minutes.

Rumors have already begun surfacing regarding casting for the role of Anakin Skywalker, who will be approximately 19 in *Episode 2*. Early reports suggested *Dawson's Creek*'s James Van Der Beek and *Deep Impact*'s Elijah Wood. Now the favorite appears to be self-proclaimed *Star Wars* fan Leonardo DiCaprio.

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Among other functions, it is intended as a vehicle for student expression and all students

are urged to participate with submissions of written and artistic material.

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"The college seeks to provide an atmosphere conducive to open and honest intellectual inquiry in any college forum which is appropriate for dialogue and student participation. The students should feel free to exercise the right to dissent within limits of decorum and good taste."

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3707; or the Ivory Tusk, 752-3435 for times and places.

For culture buffs, downtown Northport has Art Night the first Thursday of every month. There couldn't be a better break from work or study than to stroll through the many art venues of downtown Northport, tasting hors d'oeuvres, sipping wine, and appraising the art works.

For the "sophisti-tastes" among you, Labels will be having periodic wine tasting. For more information, call the wine shoppe at 758-8227.

The big summer musical to be presented this year by Theatre Tuscaloosa is *Annie, Get Your Gun*. Look for the show at the Bean-Brown Theatre at Shelton State, July 30-Aug. 7.

Tannehill will be offering Trade Days—a giant flea market in a beautiful park setting down the expressway toward Birmingham on the third weekends of every month.

In Birmingham at the Five Points Music Hall, Gwar will be playing June 2 at 8 p.m. Later in the summer, City Stages will be held in Linn Park. The June 18 weekend will feature Bonnie Raitt, Sister Sledge, Peter Frampton, Jude, Chaka Khan, Ty Herndon, Martina

McBride, and Blue Rags will be featured. A weekend ticket is \$25, and you can get them through Ticketlink.

Fanning out from good ol' B'ham, the day-tripper with a bit more cash—and time—has some regional and national entertainment to choose from this summer.

In Atlanta, on July 11, John Mellencamp will be at the Atlanta Lakewood Amphitheater. On July 23, Lillith Fair will be there. On July 30, the legendary Cher will

appear. On Aug. 10, Bare Naked Ladies are scheduled.

In Nashville, Shania Twain will appear at the First American Music Center on June 2. One June 4, Offspring is scheduled. On Aug. 4, N'Sync is scheduled; Aug. 6 should see Tom Petty on the marquee.

The ultimate weekend getaway for the weary worker-scholar would be a trip to Woodstock, N.Y. for another festival. More than 30 bands are expected to be playing.



SGA FUN at Bowers Park

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ministration Students were Kasey Johnson Hughley, Thelma Brown Carpenter, Glenda Fair, Tiffany M. Brown, Mary Jessica McCafferty, Sarah Beth White Showalter, Latasha Scott, Laresa Meredith Agee, and Kelly Leib Wyatt.

English Composition 101 Awards went to Regina Englebert, Coy. Mozingo and Mary Kathryn Perkins. The 102 Award went to LaTonya M. Law. Literature Awards went to Lisa Morris and Alicia Wiggins. The English Honors Award went to LaTonya M. Law and Mark Moore. The Life Writing Award went to Allene Billups.

The Outstanding Journalism Student was Kim Eaton.

The Outstanding Philosophy Students were Eunice Faye Richmond Parker and Geary Hewitt.

The Outstanding Mathematics Student for Technical Degree was Todd Sanders. The Outstanding Mathematics Student for Technical Certificate was Wade Covington. The Mathematics Award for Liberal Arts Students went to Kelly Carnes. The Outstanding Students in the Calculus with Applications Program were Danna Mills and Marie Hollingsworth. The Outstanding Calculus Student in Calculus Series

was Ben Pearson.

Outstanding Astronomy students were Amy Katherine Boohaker, Sandra Morrison Bowen, Tracy Scott Diamond, James Bradford Holley, Jacob Daniel Oswalt, and Christopher E. Murray.

The Outstanding Majors Biology Students were Nathan Collins and Scott Glover. The Outstanding Non-majors Biology Students were Valentino Epps and Jennifer L. McGuff. The Outstanding Advanced Biology Students was Karen Rohrer.

The Outstanding General Chemistry Students were Shannon Skipper and Merideth Sullivan.

In Nursing, the Nightingale Award winners were Mattie Lee and Dana Minor. The Outstanding Associate Degree Nursing Student was Kim Rutley. The Outstanding Nursing Assistant Students were Donna Bibbs and Sheila McCarthy. The Outstanding Practical Nursing Student was Amelai Mellot-Smiley.

The Outstanding Automotive Technology Students were Charlie Allred and Phillip Castle. The Most Outstanding Auto Body Technicians were Donell Jackson and Jeffrey Snider.

The Outstanding Barbering Students were Ashunti Gladney,

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James Tony Mitchell, Tuscaloosa; Gary Lyle Thompson, Tuscaloosa; Monty C. Montgomery, Coker; Kyle Foster Parham, Gordo; Jacqueline Alater Mi Benoist, Tuscaloosa; Fabian Lamont Williams, Tuscaloosa; Tracey Leria Hudson, Tuscaloosa; Vanessa Ann Williams Brownlee, Tuscaloosa; David L. McVay, Muscle Shoals; Douglas G. Hall, Tuscaloosa; Joshua Keith Gregory, Gordo; Joshua Gray Wilson Woodstock; Sylvester Beard, Jr. Tuscaloosa; LaVontra V. Ayers, Tuscaloosa; Suellen Leigh Johnson, Duncanville; Byron Joseph Bonnett, Northport; Marla Elizabeth Evans, Tuscaloosa; Natasha Lantrice Mosley, Tuscaloosa; Nicole Leteshia Smith, Demopolis; Earline Davis Gray, Greensboro; Ashunti Tiesa Gladney, Tuscaloosa; Berndetta Denise Howard, Greensboro; Alicia Nicole Wiggins, Gordo; Kazuki Toho, Tuscaloosa; Alison Caroline Knight, Northport; Shemekia Woods Dunn Northport; Felicia Monique McNeil, Tuscaloosa; Kendrick Dwayne Jones, Tuscaloosa; April Lynette Freeman, Tuscaloosa; Bruce Bernard Logan, Tuscaloosa; Tina Ann Culp, Duncanville; LaShonda Michelle Archibald, Moundville; Sally E., Baker, Tuscaloosa; Gayle Pullum Tucker, Gallion; Jamey Ray Wilson, Tuscaloosa; Tammy,

Rena Garner, McCalla; Jennifer David Stevens, Tuscaloosa; April Marcum Averette, Moundville; Rowena Gayle Bailey, Tuscaloosa; JoHanna Boyd Barthold, McCalla; Susan Taylor, Bohannon, Duncanville; Catherine Adelle Caldwell, Cottondale; Peter Scott Christian, Tuscaloosa; Amy Harrison Crowe, Vernon; Jeanette Billups Debarleben Birmingham; Sara Hallman Eaton, Cottondale; Christi Leigh Flanigan, Tuscaloosa; Wanda Jean Ford, Greensboro; Christy Hall Hartley, Tuscaloosa; Marilyn Denise Henderson, Tuscaloosa; Vicki Holifield-Elliott, Coker; Sonya Pierce House, Tuscaloosa; Lisa Leann Jones, Tuscaloosa; Lynn Marie Lesar,

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Sandra Ray brought greetings from the State Board of Education

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President Tom Umphrey shook the hand of every graduate, including Courier editor James Crawford's

Stephanie Allgood, Miller; Centreville Dana Smith, Minor; Duncanville Deon DePaul, Minor; Tuscaloosa Martha Windle, Mize; Ralph; JoAnna Riggs Monroe Cottondale; Regina Lynne Moseley, Tuscaloosa; Tracy L. Mullins, Tuscaloosa; Christopher Lee Noland, Northport; Sandra Kay Root,

Cottondale; Michelle Holean Rucker, Northport; Kim Renae Rutley, Northport; Shirley Lovett Sadler, Bessemer; Julia Smith Smallwood, Tuscaloosa; Tammy Lee Smith, Helena; Wendy Smith Stephens, Coker; Jennifer D. Stevens, Tuscaloosa; Angela Sullivan, Tuscaloosa; Carla Bean Thomas, Northport; Kristy Michelle Walker, Tuscaloosa; Susan Sims Weathers, McCalla; Antionitta Wells, Tuscaloosa; Ella Davidson Williamson, Carrollton; James S. Williamson, Northport; Dana Lynn Wilson, Tuscaloosa; Ling Yang Tuscaloosa; Terri Weaver Ledbetter, Cottondale; LuCinda Abston Barger, Cottondale; Patti Boatner Flippo, Duncanville; Erryn Kylee Hall, Northport; Julieann Davis Harbin, Moundville; JoAnn Parker Harper, Gordo; Lakicia Tondeleria Toeran Long, Tuscaloosa; Grace Ellis Prewitt, Tuscaloosa; Stephanie Angela Taylor, Tuscaloosa; Carol Fike Warren, Greensboro; Heather DeAnn Tunnell, Northport; Barbara Biddle Dale, Northport; Valera Marie Turner, Boligee; Joseph Dennis Coughlan, Brent; Philip Jason Taylor, Northport; Vincent Maurice Williams, Fayette; Undra Tywonn Landrum, Tuscaloosa; Jeffrey Leonard Snider, Brookwood; Sadie

Atmore Hendrix, Tuscaloosa; Jittaun Shields Williams, Tuscaloosa; Richard Darrell Kircharr, Northport; Nuwan Sri Suriyagoda, Tuscaloosa; Mary McCafferty Irvin, Kennedy; LaRonica Renee Davis, Tuscaloosa; Kelly Lynn McCracken, Ralph; Patricia B.



Everyone stood while Glinda Blackshear led them in the National Anthem

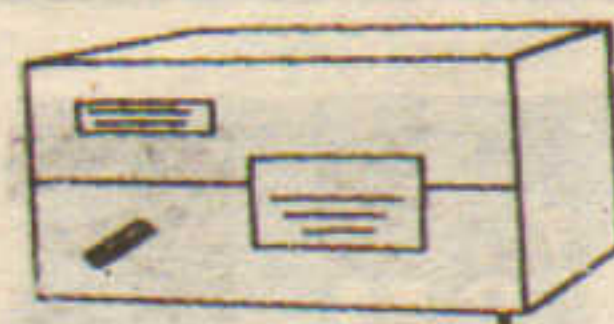
Johnson, Tuscaloosa; Cindy Leigh Martin, McCalla; LaKisha VonTay Collins, Tuscaloosa; Nellie Lott, Northport; Molly D. Gordon, Tuscaloosa; Christy Montz Baliey, Tuscaloosa; Leigh Anne Reilly, Duncanville; Annie Bishop Rush, Tuscaloosa; Stacy Hunt Adams,

Tuscaloosa; Kevin Jay Wolfe, Tuscaloosa; Jennifer Leigh Stone, Duncanville; William E. Scivner Northport; Edward Russell Carpenter, Northport; Willie Mack Morrison, Vernon; Dennis Elvin Gilliam, Gordo; Melissa Star Deas, Northport; Hitoshi Ito, Tuscaloosa; Andrew Joel McCracken, Tuscaloosa; Jeffrey Todd Jones, Tuscaloosa; Frank Stephen Redd, Northport; Jason Heath Colburn, Marion; Kevin Travis Mills, Tuscaloosa; Georgia Washington Wells, Tuscaloosa; Shannon Jason Kornegay, Centreville; Mike Lee Graham, Northport; Amy Diane Hinton, Tuscaloosa; Walter Lee Jackson, Jr., Stewart; Jason Patton Pearson, Northport; Susan McCarter Hutchins, Tuscaloosa; Michael Jarrod Fife, Northport; Jeremy Gurganus, Tuscaloosa; Brenda Bailey Akers, Tuscaloosa; Willie Mae Williams Braggs, Greensboro; Daniel Bryan Kircharr, Tuscaloosa; Dorothy Shepherd Bowden, Eutaw; Donell Jackson, Forkland; Kristi Hope Fraught, Tuscaloosa; Steven Thompson, Tuscaloosa; Keith Ladell Williams, Carrollton; Daniel Payne Cooley, Vance; Terrell Washington, Eutaw; Amanda Hicks Rose, Tuscaloosa; Roger Glenn Morrison Jr., Cottondale; Mark Phillip Daggert,

Tuscaloosa; Devlyn DeShae Jackson, Tuscaloosa; David W. Harrison, Tuscaloosa; Miranda Mae Plowman, Northport; Felicia Fonshay Cox, Tuscaloosa; Jessica Louise Carr, Northport; Frances Lybrand Eppig, Brookwood; Josie L. Lanier, Eutaw; Mary Ann Bibby, Duncanville; Daniel Louis Lindsey, Tuscaloosa; LaKitchca Drew, Banks, Northport; Melissa Denise Donald, Tuscaloosa; Freddie J. Jackson, Portland, Oregon; Latonia Williams, Sawyerville; Kristy Lanette Robinson, Tuscaloosa; Tanya Venicia Payne, Tuscaloosa; Betty L. Scott, Tuscaloosa; Jay A. Logan, Tuscaloosa; Robert Houston Logan, Winfield; Jason Lee Woods, Bankston; Gerald Wayne, Bryars, Coker; Amy Dos Santos Duncan, Tuscaloosa; Carol Nelson Jean Gray, Cottondale; Jenny, White Marion, Tuscaloosa; Valerie A. Bragg, Eutaw; Darius Glen Buffer, Northport; Brenda Jackson, Carter, Tuscaloosa; Lisa Katherine Roberts, Moundville; Janice, Rena' Sykes, Tuscaloosa; Gerald Lee Cobern Jr., Woodstock; Christopher Franklin Jones, Fayette; Brian D. Guest, Tusca-

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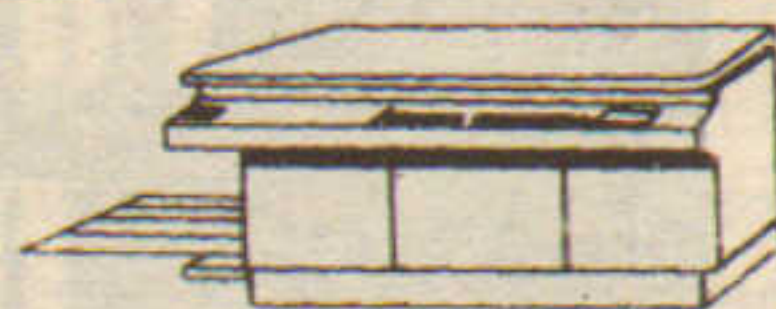
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Earline Gray, Jocasta Holifield and Bernadette Howard.

The Outstanding Child Development Students were Pat Johnson, Levy Russell, and Marie Winkler.

The Outstanding Diesel Mechanics Student was John Thomas Baird.

The Outstanding Senior Welding Technology Students were Clifton N. Durrett and Frances E. Eppig. The Outstanding Advanced Arc Welding Students were Wade Chivington and Brian A. McClelland.

The Respiratory Care Technology Academic Achievement Award went to Erin Nygaard.

The Outstanding History Student was Winter Ashley Peery. The Outstanding Freshman History Students were Peter Gregory Johnson and William M. Mitchell.

The Outstanding Theatre Student was Julie Arrington. The Achievement in Theatre Performance award went to Ben Boyer and Desmond Porbeni. The Outstanding Theatre Newcomer was Amanda Anderson.

The Outstanding Drawing I Student was Jonathan Reece. The Outstanding Drawing II Student was

Angie Evans. The Outstanding Photography II Student was Tomoko Matsugaki.

The Outstanding Choral Students were Melody Bolin and Nicole Shults. The Outstanding Jazz Ensemble Member was Chuck Lett. The Outstanding Freshman in Mu-



The Shelton Singers opened Honors week with their spring concert

sic was Marty Moyer. The Outstanding Sophomore in Music was Leif Evans.

The Outstanding Student in Speech was Ronald Bolton.

The Outstanding Air Conditioning and Refrigeration Technology Student was Thomas A. Greene.

The Outstanding Drafting Student was Margaret Butler Millins.

The Outstanding Electronics

Student was Ryan Giles. The Outstanding Advanced Electricity Students were Robert K. Akridge, Thomas S. Naugher and Gerome Taylor. The Outstanding Senior Electricity Students were Frederick Denelsbeck, Todd Sanders, and Michael Wyatt.

The Outstanding Computerized Numerical Control Students were Chad Junkin, Adam Nichols, Valerie Mason and Jason Taylor.

The Outstanding Wellness Exercise Instructors were Evan Hisey, Cindy Martin,

Emily Stevens, Angie Watkins, Jennifer Wicker, and Kevin Williams. The Outstanding Wellness Student was Crystal Lawley.

The Finalists for the Outstanding Freshman Award were Kimberly Cockrell, Kimberly Eaton, Lorie Hosmer, Peter Johnson and Jessica Smith.

The Finalists for the Leo Smner Award were Rebecca Colburn, Stephanie Dowdell,

LeAnn Jones, Jennifer McGuff and Alicia Wiggins. The Finalists for the All-State Academic Team were Jodi Chandler and Alicia Wiggins.

Scholarship recipients included, for the Alexander Adult Studies Scholarship Lillian M. Belcher, Sylvia J. Bostic, Adora Brown, Marilyn Cooper, Mary S. Growth, Lucinda W. Hester, Wanda S. Kelly, B. Sue Liming and Marianne H. Todd.

The All-State Academic Team Scholarship winners were Jodi Chandler (first team) and Alicia Wiggins (second team).

The Compass Bank Scholarship went to Taesha L. Jennings.

The Harold James Technical Scholarship went to Shandrilla Gator.

The Machine Shop Scholarship was awarded to Jeffre Voegele.

National Association of Women in Construction Scholarships went to William T. Brown, Linda J. Gray, and Karen C. Worley.

Shelton State Alumni Association Scholarship went to Todd Sanders.

University of Alabama Alumni Junior College Scholarships went to Jodi Chandler and Melissa Starr Deas.

University of Alabama Accounting Alumni Scholarships went

to Rebecca Colburn, Melissa Starr Deas and LeAnn Nicole Jones.

A University of Alabama Book Scholarship went to David Steele.

A University of Alabama Music Scholarship went to Hillary Burke.

A University of Alabama Phi Theta Kappa Transfer Scholarship went to LeeAnn Jones.

University of Alabama Transfer Scholarships and Book Scholarships went to Rebecca R. Colburn, LaTonya M. Law, Jennifer L. Parrott and Charles S. Spence.

A University of Montevallo Scholarship went to Melody Bolin.

A University of Montevallo Choral Scholarship went to Melody Bolin.

A University of West Alabama Scholarship went to Heather Malone Watson.

A Wayne Boteler Scholarship went to Sherri E. Bishop.

West Alabama Health Council Scholarships went to Amy L. Bolen, Christopher A. Holman, Stephanie G. Horner, Ginger L. Mitchell, Jonathan D. Reece, Leigh A. Strickland and Brandi A. Watkins.

The Westminster Choir College Transfer/ Music Scholarship was given to Leif Evans.



Assistant to the President Rick Rogers presented the Outstanding Freshman Student of the Year honors to Kim Eaton



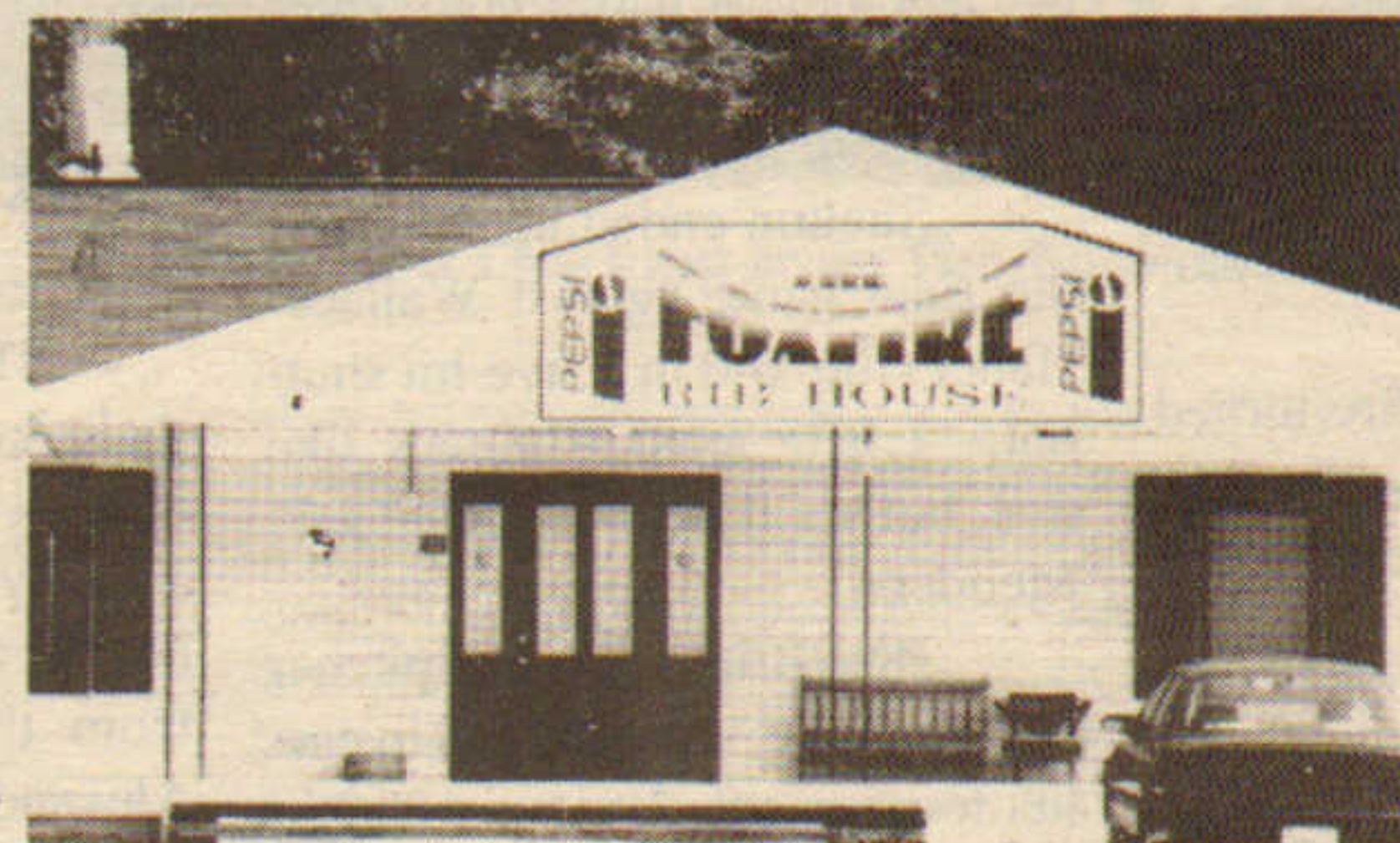
Shelton President Tom Umphrey saluted the many students deserving of honors at the college

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Sports

—The Buccaneers are Here to Play—

Golf team to take fourth shot at national championship

By Courier Staff

Shelton State's #2 nationally ranked men's golf team is heading out to Raleigh, N.C., on June 5-11, to compete for the fourth year in a row for the national championship in junior college division II.

Fresh off from winning the District 22, Division 2 Regional Championship on May 3 in North Alabama, the Buccaneers are looking forward to another chance at the golden ring.

Shelton State won the tournament with a two day



Jason Dillard has had a wonderful year for Shelton State. Here he bombs another of his long drives at a tournament at Hidden Meadows course in Northport

total of 589. Beville State was second with a 623 and Northwest Shoals came in third with a 676.

All five team players from Shelton were named to the All-Regional team.

Jason Dillard again led the pack with a two day total of 140. Drew Jones was second up with a 148. Danny Germaine shot a 149, Matt Malone shot 152 and Nick

Bamber rounded it out with a 155.

Dillard has been in the top five on the All-Tournament teams for all eight tournaments played this year.

"He's a good player. That's doing pretty good to make the all-tournament team each time," said head coach and Shelton athletic director Jim Collins.

Collins is about as confident with this squad as he has ever been, though he says he is not sure why. "We have to remember they are freshman. You never know how freshman will react in the big tournaments. If they play like they did in the regionals they will be okay," said Collins.

Baseball and Softball fall short in title bids

....Seasons end with heart-wrenching close losses

By James A. Crawford II and Daniel Pettet

Baseball

As the Shelton State baseball team entered the final stretch of games this season, they seemed to catch on fire.

They ended the regular season in grand fashion by cruising to a 11-6 win over Southern Union to complete a weekend sweep.

Unfortunately, the fire turned out to be more of a flicker when they fell just short of grabbing onto that championship brass ring.

The flame was lit when the Buccaneers blazed through the state tournament, which was held in Prattville from May 13-16, unbeaten up to the championship game.

They punched in two wins on Friday, May 14, winning the opener against Central Alabama 6-3 and downing Faulkner State later that night.

On Saturday, the men kept the winning streak going by beating Wallace-Hanceville 4-2, in the first of a three-game series. With two

games to go on Sunday, they only had to win one but couldn't pull it out.

"It's so frustrating when you come so close and don't win it," said men's head coach Bobby Sprowl.

Despite Brandon Medders having pitched a four-hitter, the men suffered a heartbreaking loss in the first of Sunday's double header. "We were playing well and I thought we had a good chance to win. I guess it just wasn't meant to be," said Medders.

Shelton ended up dropping the final game against Wallace-Hanceville 6-0 in a five-hit shut-out. "I hate losing games like that, but we'll bounce back," said Medders.

Both Brian Davis and pitcher Brandon Lee, who was 2-0 in earlier tournament play, were named to the All-Tournament team.

Although Shelton ends the season with a 26-33 record, some of the players have more to look forward to. John Mark Sprowl, who struggled at times but ended playing solidly, got drafted by the Chicago Cubs.

Brandon Medders who was the ace of the staff is being heavily recruited by Alabama, Mississippi State, and Ole Miss, and is also

being looked at by the Tampa Bay Devil Rays.

They are also losing key position players and hitters Clay Rice and Bryan "Housecat" Davis, who are still undecided about their college future.

Even with these key losses, Shelton is returning a strong freshman class; and if they can pick up where they left off this year, it should make for an exciting season next year around the diamond.

Softball

Every dream has an ending.

The climax to this year's long-held dream of a championship for Shelton's Lady Buccaneers became a reality far, far away on Saturday, May 8, when they were eliminated from the State Tournament in Alexander City.

The women were out of contention after losing 5-3 to Jefferson Davis in their second elimination game of the day.

The women started out strong with two wins the day before. They beat Chattahoochee Valley 8-0 that morning in a cake walk and Wallace of Dothan 4-3 in a dramatic come-from-behind contest that same evening.

Saturday morning, though,

brought about a little bit of rain and started out the end of this year's championship bid with a loss to Southern Union 4-1 and the final loss that evening.

Shelton's women ended up with a 19-27 record and tied 5th in the state in their first year of using the fastpitch style of play.

"You always want to do better. But we're happy with the tie for fifth. I'm happy for the girls. I'm real pleased with all their efforts. I think we'll have a better team next year," said women's head coach Bobby Ussery.

Shelton's pitchers adjusted well to the new pitching style this year. Michelle Dickey finished with a 10-13 record and Christy Hanshaw went 9-13 with one save.

Hanshaw turned in 38 strikeouts with an ERA of 5.99 while Dickey sent home 16 strikeouts and an ERA of 3.69.

Shelton also had good performance from its outfield. Cindy Martin ended up with a .977 fielding percentage in centerfield; Karla Shirley had a 1.000 out in left field; Beth Bowen had a .975 and Tequila Herring had a .955.

Shelton will lose its top two hitters this year. Karla Shirley had a batting average of .458 and Cindy Martin finished with a .419 for the

season.

Now that the season is over, Shelton's women have shifted gears. The team will be losing its big hitters and some of its key players but already has acquired several commitments from the top high school players.

The following are next year's recruits and where they are from:

American Christian: Jamie Crane, 3rd base and pitcher; Bethany McGlothlin, 3rd base and pitcher.

Northside: Brittany Elmore, shortstop and pitcher.

Central: Brooke Starnes, catcher and infielder.

Tuscaloosa County: Meredith Whitbeck, catcher and outfielder; April Montgomery, shortstop and second base. Amanda Knight (sister of relief pitcher Alison Knight), catcher and infielder.

"All of these girls are excellent ball players in their positions. No question about their ability to play ball," said Ussery.

With seven coming back next year, eight new signees and 3 or 4 expected walk-on's, Shelton State's women's fastpitch is on the fast track to success next year.

Graduates cont'd from pg. 4

loosa; Melissa Irene Stewart, Tuscaloosa; Donna Sharon Richey, Tuscaloosa; Thomas, A. Greene, Boligee; Larry Steve Gilreath, Gordo; Sarah White Showalter, Tuscaloosa; Yvonne Renea Amerson, Boligee; Ya' Shekia Shnell Hill, Tuscaloosa; Latasha Benee Scott, Tuscaloosa; Frieda Joyce Dennis, Centreville; Stephanie Demetria Tubbs, Tuscaloosa; Chenita Dionne Jones Tuscaloosa; Mami Ito, Tuscaloosa; Scott C. Cheatham, Tuscaloosa; Gwendolyn Brownlee Brown, Northport; Brooke Idella Bailey, Tuscaloosa; Mohamed S. Abu Tuscaloosa; Belinda Lovett, Moody, Northport; Mary Appling Yessick, Northport; Faron A. Lewitt, Roswell; Peter Zekoff, Pelham; Donald Glenn Vaughn, Mt. Olive; Danny Clifford Ray, Alabaster; Michael Alan Pennington, Bessemer; Kenneth A. Smith, Cottondale; William M. Dyer Jr., Gordo; Monica Annette Reed, Greensboro; Zuhair H. Almaskeen, Tuscaloosa; Reginald O'Neal Eppes, Moundville; Michael Todd Wales, Tuscaloosa; Mazen Ahmed Hassan Rabaan, Tuscaloosa; Sylvie Morin, Tuscaloosa; William Scott Marchant, Cottondale; Shan Fu, Albany; Ida Marie Hughes Silvers, Tuscaloosa; Toriana Mitchell Taylor, Tuscaloosa; Bonnie Mary, Fikes, Tuscaloosa; Amberly Christie Walker, Ralph; Brian Keith Cocke, Centreville; Kristi Shernita Colvin, Tuscaloosa; Juliet Nkiru, Akpom. Albany; Jimmy Lavo, Hughes, Tuscaloosa; Steven Blaine Langham, Moundville; William Roy Hamilton, Northport; Sheila Denise Strong, Tuscaloosa; Charles Gergory Yarber, Tuscaloosa; Joshua Paul Mallett, Brookwood; Kimberly LaKeshi, Ryans, Tuscaloosa;



Jill Hayes received her Associates degree and her mom, Ann, was on hand to congratulate her

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LaFontae Johnson, Tuscaloosa; R. Dale Turner Jr., Hartford; Robbin Servell Oswalt, Northport; Helen Lavinia Cassells, Demopolis; Kimberly Latonia Pickens, Tuscaloosa; Zakarya Alawi Alyousif, Northport; Eddie L. Foster, Fayette; Norma Rossip, Tuscaloosa; Jarrod B. Sanders, Centreville; Charity Lennet Lawrence, Millport; Sam Robbins Jackson, Tuscaloosa; Tracey Scott Diamond Toxey, Kenneth; Wayne Watkins, Tuscaloosa; Todd M. Sanders, Tuscaloosa; Cynthia Annette Mills, Tuscaloosa; Benita Michelle Rhynes, Greensboro; Bryan Charles Malone, Tusca-

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Moundville; Melani Elizabeth Junkin, Reform; Sarah, Marie Longshore, Tuscaloosa; Willie C. Colvin, Tuscaloosa; Lee O. Gellington, Northport; Maria Milagros Baiz, Tuscaloosa; Barry Ray Jones, Northport; Kimberly LaDawn Mitchell, Moundville; Karen Schofield Robertson, Northport; Annie Tubbs Sharper, Northport; Abdulkhaliq Hussain Ali Alsaif, Tuscaloosa; Andrea McCoy, Greensboro; Andrew Elijah Higdon, Tuscaloosa; Wynell Jolly Moore, Tuscaloosa; Tasha Michelle Conwell, Centreville; Jason Marshall, Stephens, Eutaw; Ethel M. Burrell, Tuscaloosa; Komika Rayshone Sales, Tus-



The faculty of Shelton State never looks grander and more dignified than when it turns out in cap and gown for graduation

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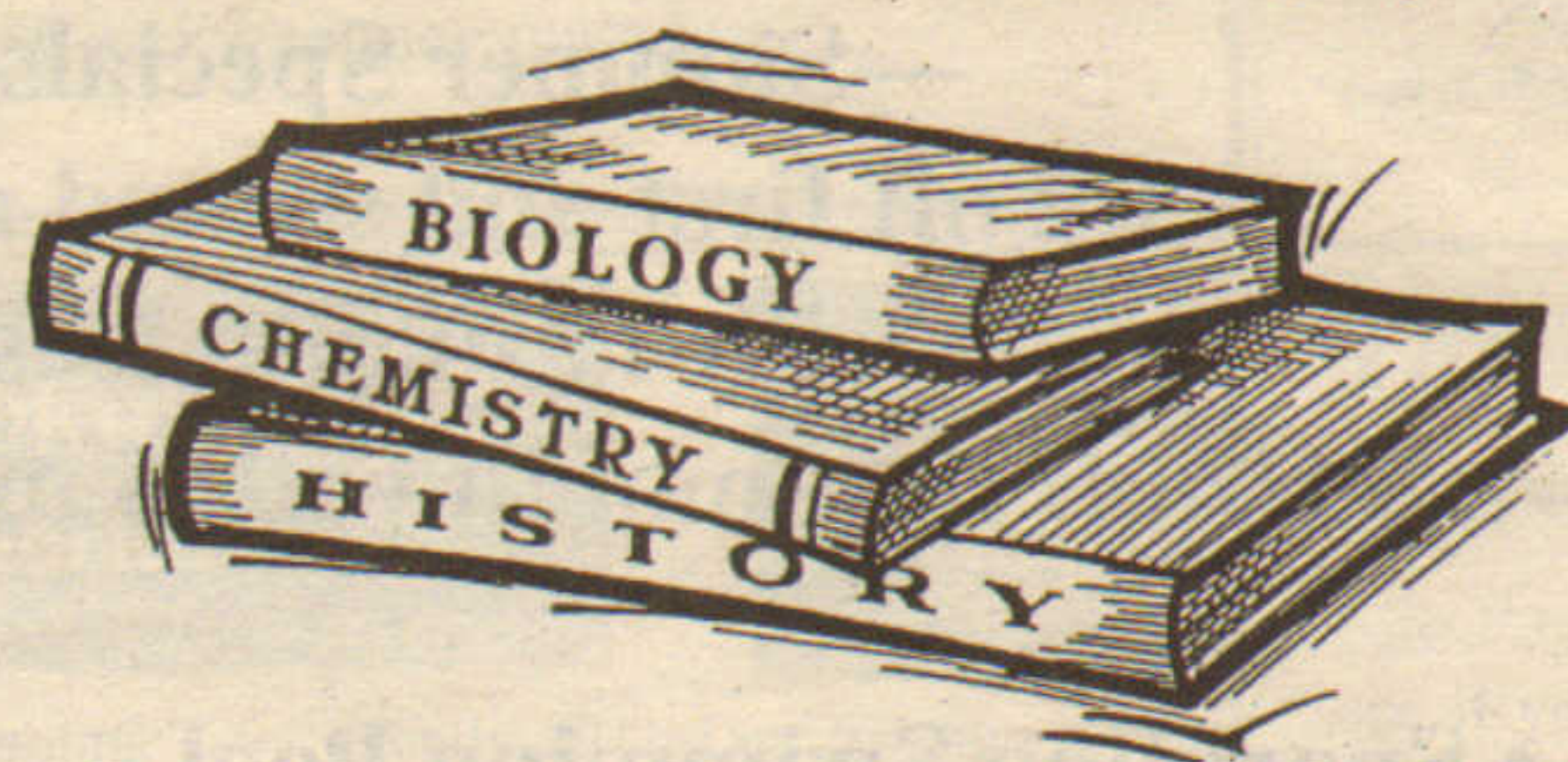
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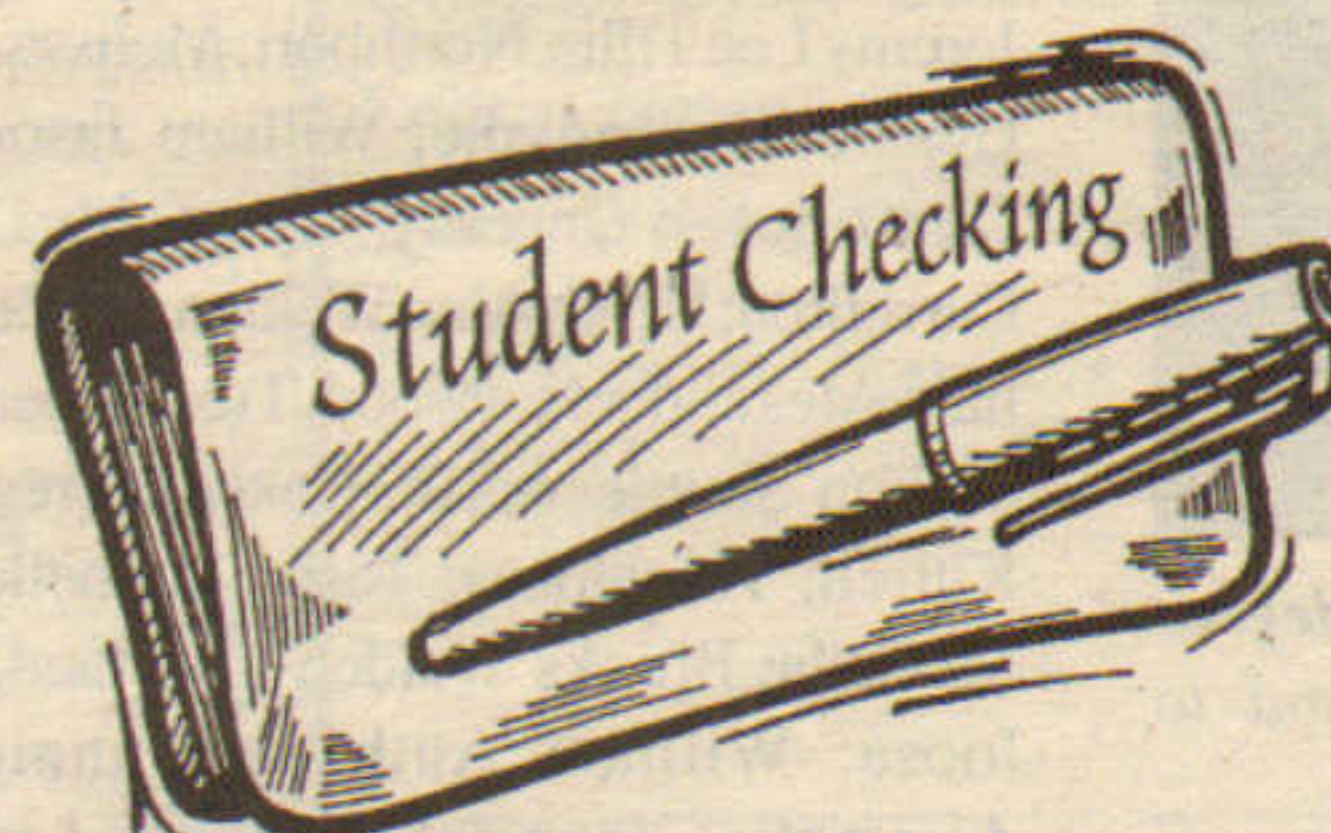
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